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In re application of

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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November 25, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed May 24, 2005,
please amend the above-identified application follows:

Amendments to the Specification appear on page 2 of
this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing
of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this
paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** is attached following the signature page
of this paper.